Articles of Incorporation and Certificate of Authority

## State of Delaware Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "ENRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2000.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE NOT BEEN ASSESSED TO DATE.

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

DATE:

AUTHENTICATION:

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### State of Delaware Office of the Secretary of State

I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF

DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT

COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF "ENRON

TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2000, AT 2:45 O'CLOCK P.M.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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AUTHENTICATION:

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#### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

ENRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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#### ARTICLE I.

The name of the corporation is Enron Telecommunications, Inc.

#### ARTICLE II.

The registered office of this corporation in the State of Delaware is located at 1209 Orange Street in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The name and address of its registered agent is The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

#### ARTICLE III.

The nature of the business or purpose of this corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Laws of Delaware.

#### ARTICLE IV.

1. The total number of shares of stock which this corporation shall have authority to issue is ten thousand (10,000) shares, all of which are to be of the par value of \$1.00 each and all of one class and all to be designated as the Common Stock of the corporation.

2. The shares of Common Stock may be issued from time to time for such consideration, no less than the par value thereof and upon such terms as from time to time shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE V.

The minimum amount of capital with which this corporation shall commence business is one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

#### ARTICLE VI.

The name and mailing address of the incorporator is as follows:

NAME

MAILING ADDRESS

Matt A. Maxwell

1400 Smith Street, Suite 4804

Houston, Texas 77002

#### ARTICLE VII.

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

The private property of the stockholders shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever, but shall be exempt from corporate liability.

#### ARTICLE IX.

In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the Board of Directors is expressly authorized:

- (a) To make, alter, amend and rescind the Bylaws of this corporation.
- (b) To set apart out of any of the available funds of this corporation such reserves for proper purposes as the Board of Directors may deem expedient, and to abolish any such reserves.

- (c) To determine the use and distribution of any surplus and net profits.
- (d) To authorize and cause to be executed and delivered, without limit as to amount, mortgages and instruments of pledge of, and other instruments creating liens upon, the real and personal property of this corporation.
- (e) From time to time, to determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions and regulations the accounts and books of this corporation (other than the stock ledger) or any of them, shall be open to the inspection of the stockholders, and no stockholder shall have any right to inspect any account or book or document of this corporation, except as conferred by statute, or authorized by the directors or by a resolution of the stockholders.
- (f) By resolution or resolutions, passed by a majority of the whole Board, to designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of two or more of the directors of this corporation, which, to the extent provided in said resolution or resolutions or in the Bylaws of this corporation, shall have and may exercise the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of this corporation, and may have power to authorize the seal of this corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it. Such committee or committees shall have such name or names as may be stated in the Bylaws of this corporation or as may be determined from time to time by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors.
- (g) When and as authorized by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the stock issued and outstanding having voting powers given at a stockholders' meeting duly called for that purpose, or when authorized by the written consent of the holders of a majority of the voting stock issued and outstanding, the Board of Directors shall have power and authority to sell, lease or exchange all of the property and assets of the corporation, including its goodwill, upon such terms and conditions and for such considerations, which may be in whole or in part shares of stock in, and/or other securities of, any other corporation or corporations as its Board of Directors shall deem expedient and for the best interests of the corporation.

This corporation may in its Bylaws confer powers and authority upon its Board of Directors in addition to the foregoing and in addition to the powers and authorities expressly conferred upon it by statute.

#### ARTICLE X.

No contract or other transaction between this corporation and any other corporation and no act of this corporation shall in any way be affected or invalidated by the fact that any of the directors of this corporation are pecuniarily or otherwise interested in, or are directors of such other corporation.

#### ARTICLE XI.

The stockholders and Board of Directors shall have power, if the Bylaws so provide, to hold their meetings and to keep the books of this corporation (except such as are required by the laws of Delaware to be kept in Delaware) and documents and papers of this corporation outside the State of Delaware and have one or more offices within or without the State of Delaware at such places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE XII.

- 1. The number of directors of this corporation shall be specified in the Bylaws and such number may be increased or decreased from time to time in such manner as may be prescribed in the Bylaws. The directors need not be stockholders.
- 2. In case of an increase in the number of directors, the additional directors may be elected by the Board of Directors to hold office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders and until their successors are elected and qualified. In case of vacancies in the Board of Directors, a majority of the remaining directors may elect directors to fill such vacancies.
- 3. A director of the corporation shall not be personally liable to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability

- (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of laws, (iii) under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.
- 4. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of the corporation or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the Delaware General Corporation Law, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than said law permitted the corporation to provide prior to such amendment), against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith and such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that, except as provided in paragraph 5 hereof, the corporation shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the Board of Directors of the corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Section shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition;

provided, however, that, if the Delaware General Corporation Law requires, the payment of such expenses incurred by a director or officer in his or her capacity as a director or officer (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such person while a director or officer, including, without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding, shall be made only upon delivery to the corporation of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Section or otherwise. The corporation may, by action of its Board of Directors, provide indemnification to employees and agents of the corporation with the same scope and effect as the foregoing indemnification of directors and officers.

5. If a claim under paragraph 4 of the Article XII is not paid in full by the corporation within thirty days after a written claim has been received by the corporation, the claimant may at any time thereafter bring suit against the corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim and, if successful in whole or in part, the claimant shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting such claim. It shall be a defense to any such action (other than an action brought to enforce a claim for expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition where the required undertaking, if any is required, has been tendered to the corporation) that the claimant has not met the standards of conduct which make it permissible under the Delaware General Corporation Law for the corporation to indemnify the claimant for the amount claimed, but the burden of proving such defense shall be on the corporation. Neither the failure of the corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of the claimant is proper in the circumstances because he or she has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Delaware General Corporation Law, nor an actual determination by the corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) that the claimant has not met such applicable standard of

conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct.

- 6. The right to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in this Section shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Certificate of Incorporation, bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.
- 7. The corporation may maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and any director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any such expense, liability or loss, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the Delaware General Corporation Law.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

This corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the sole incorporator for the purpose of forming a corporation in pursuance of an Act of the Legislature of the State of Delaware entitled "An Act Providing A General Corporation Law" (approved March 10, 1899) and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, do make and file this Certificate of Incorporation, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly hereunto have set my hand this 26th day of January, 2000.

Matt A. Maywell



#### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

JESSE WHITE . Secretary of State

JANUARY 29, 2001

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CORP-LINK SERVICES, INC. 118 W EDWARDS ST STE 200 SPRINGFIELD, 1L 62704

RE ENRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

#### DEAR SIR OR MADAM:

IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE YOUR REQUEST TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS. ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY, ACKNOWLEDGING YOUR REGISTRATION.

THESE DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF THE COUNTY IN ILLINOIS IN WHICH THE REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION IS LOCATED, AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 1.10 OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF THIS STATE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT YOUR RECORDER OF DEEDS.

THE CORPORATION MUST FILE AN ANNUAL REPORT AND PAY FRANCHISE TAXES PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF ITS ANNIVERSARY MONTH (MONTH OF QUALIFICATION) NEXT YEAR. A PRE-PRINTED ANNUAL REPORT FORM WILL BE SENT TO THE REGISTERED AGENT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE APPROXIMATELY 60 DAYS PRIOR TO ITS ANNIVERSARY MONTH.

SECURITIES CANNOT BE ISSUED OR SOLD EXCEPT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ILLINOIS SECURITIES LAW OF 1953, 815 ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES, 5/1 ET SEQ. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE OFFICE OP THE SECRETARY OF STATE, SECURITIES DEPARTMENT AT (217) 782-2256 OR (312) 793-3384.

SINCERELY YOURS.

JESSE WHITE SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS SERVICES CORPORATION DIVISION TELEPHONE (217) 782-6961

Jesse White

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File Number 6147-679-2

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# State of Allinois Office of The Secretary of State

DICTION APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THIS STATE OF

ENRON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE HAS BEEN FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS PROVIDED BY THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF ILLINOIS, IN FORCE JULY 1, A.D. 1984.

Now Therefore, I, Jesse White, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this certificate and attach hereto a copy of the Application of the aforesaid corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, at the City of Springfield, this 29TH

day of JANUARY A.D. 2001 and of the Independence of the United States the two hundred and 25TH

sse White

Secretary of State

Form BCA-13.15

(Rev. Jan. 1999)

Jesse White, Sccretary of State Department of Business Services Springfield, IL 62756 Telephone (217) 762-1834 http://www.sos.state.il.us

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(a) CORPORATE NAME: Enron Telecommunications, Inc.

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN ILLINOIS

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JESSE WHITE SECRETARY OF STATE

#### SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE!

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Date 1-29-01

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Franchise Tax \$ 2.5.00

Filing Fee

\$ 7.5.00

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Approved 7 100.00

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	(b)	ASSUMED CORPORATE NAME:  (By electing this assumed name, the corporation hereby agrees NOT to use its corporate name in the transaction of business in Illinois. Form BCA 4.15 is attached.)											
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7. Purpose or purposes proposed to be pursued in transacting business in this state: (If not sufficient space to cover this point, add one or more sheets of this size.)

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**	(a) Office or offices to which all contracts with the corporation are forwarded for final acceptance:  (b) Number of shares of all classes owned by residents of illinois:  (c) Number of shares of all classes owned by non-residents of Illinois:  (d) Is the corporation transacting business in this state at this time?  No.  (e) If the answer to item 11(d) is yes, state the exact date on which it commenced to transact business in Illinois:								
12.		application is accompanied ast ninety (90) days, by the				ended, duly authenticated, poration is incorporated.	within		
13.	The undersigned corporation has caused this statement to be signed by its duly authorized officers, each of whom affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true. (All signatures must be in <b>BLACK INK</b> .)								
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- PROPERTY as used in this application shall apply to all property of the corporation, real, personal, tangible, intangible, or mixed without qualifications.
- When the response to #11(a) lists ONLY an Illinois address, then the total business as reflected in #10(c) is also considered to be Illinois business for the purpose of computing the Illinois allocation factor. By signing this application, the corporation affirms that it is aware that the amount of paid-in capital, and consequently the amount of license fees and franchise taxes, may be proportionately higher due to the Illinois address shown under #11(a).